CLAIMS AMENDMENTS:

1. (original) A multifunctional ladle comprising a handle (1) and a ladle body (2) connected to one end of the handle, characterized in that it further comprises a strainer ladle (3), which is matched with the ladle body and engaged with the ladle body by means of a fixing device; and

   a controlling device (6), by which separation of the strainer ladle from the ladle body and combination of the strainer ladle with the ladle body are performed, and at the time of the strainer ladle being separated from the ladle body turnover of the strainer ladle is made by hand.

2. (original) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 1, wherein a straining hole (11) is perforated on the bottom of the ladle body (2) and a projection (12) is provided on the bottom of the strainer ladle (3), which corresponds to the straining hole and is exactly blocked thereon.

3. (currently amended) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 1 ~~or 2~~, wherein a control switch of the controlling device (6) is mounted on the handle (1), and the controlling device includes a rod member (7), one end of which is connected to the control switch through a spring (5) lain inside the handle (1) and another end of which is connected to an elastic device (8).

4. (currently amended) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 1, ~~2 or 3,~~ wherein a short handle (9) is provided on the strainer ladle (3), on the back of which a screw base (10) is mounted, and the screw base is inserted into a positioning hole (4) on the handle (1) and then fixed to the rod member by the fixing device.

5. (original) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 4, wherein the short handle (9) and the screw base (10) are in other shape being connectable to the handle (1).

6. (original) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 4, wherein the positioning hole (4) on the handle (1) is near to the ladle body (2) and corresponds to the screw base (10).

7. (original) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 1, wherein the elastic device (8) is a spring or an U-shaped spring.

8. (currently amended) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 1 ~~or 2~~, wherein the strainer ladle (3) has a hollowed out structure, on which some arched and/or circular holes are arranged and on the bottom centre of which a solid circle member having a diameter of a chicken's egg yolk is provided.

9. (currently amended) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 1 ~~or 3~~ wherein any one of the handle (1), the ladle body (2), the strainer ladle (3) and the rod member (7) is made of a kind of material selected from the group consisting of steel, stainless steel, wood, plastics, rubber, iron, copper, silver, gold, aluminum, aluminum alloy, zinc, zinc alloy, nickel or the like.

10. (new) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 2, wherein a control switch of the controlling device (6) is mounted on the handle (1), and the controlling device includes a rod member (7), one end of which is connected to the control switch through a spring (5) lain inside the handle (1) and another end of which is connected to an elastic device (8).

11. (new) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 2, wherein a short handle (9) is provided on the strainer ladle (3), on the back of which a screw base (10) is mounted, and the screw base is inserted into a positioning hole (4) on the handle (1) and then fixed to the rod member by the fixing device.

12. (new) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 3, wherein a short handle (9) is

provided on the strainer ladle (3), on the back of which a screw base (10) is mounted, and the screw base is inserted into a positioning hole (4) on the handle (1) and then fixed to the rod member by the fixing device.

13. (new) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 10, wherein a short handle (9) is provided on the strainer ladle (3), on the back of which a screw base (10) is mounted, and the screw base is inserted into a positioning hole (4) on the handle (1) and then fixed to the rod member by the fixing device.

14. (new) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 11, wherein the short handle (9) and the screw base (10) are in other shape being connectable to the handle (1).

15. (new) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 12, wherein the short handle (9) and the screw base (10) are in other shape being connectable to the handle (1).

16. (new) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 13, wherein the short handle (9) and the screw base (10) are in other shape being connectable to the handle (1).

17. (new) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 11, wherein the positioning hole (4) on the handle (1) is near to the ladle body (2) and corresponds to the screw base (10).

18. (new) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 12, wherein the positioning hole (4) on the handle (1) is near to the ladle body (2) and corresponds to the screw base (10).

19. (new) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 13, wherein the positioning hole (4) on the handle (1) is near to the ladle body (2) and corresponds to the screw base (10).

20. (new) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 2, wherein the strainer ladle (3) has a hollowed out structure, on which some arched and/or circular holes are arranged

and on the bottom centre of which a solid circle member having a diameter of a chicken's egg yolk is provided.

21. (new) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 3 wherein any one of the handle (1), the ladle body (2), the strainer ladle (3) and the rod member (7) is made of a kind of material selected from the group consisting of steel, stainless steel, wood, plastics, rubber, iron, copper, silver, gold, aluminum, aluminum alloy, zinc, zinc alloy, nickel or the like.

22. (new) The multifunctional ladle as recited in claim 10 wherein any one of the handle (1), the ladle body (2), the strainer ladle (3) and the rod member (7) is made of a kind of material selected from the group consisting of steel, stainless steel, wood, plastics, rubber, iron, copper, silver, gold, aluminum, aluminum alloy, zinc, zinc alloy, nickel or the like.

REMARKS

Claims 3-6 and 8-9 have been amended and Claims 10-22 has been added to eliminate multiple dependency from the claims. Please enter the above Amendment prior to examination.

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